

FIRE FIGHTERS' AND POLICE OFFICERS' CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

CITY OF HOUSTON

EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR

THE POSITION OF

CERTIFIED FIREFIGHTER & EMT TRAINEE

HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

QUALIFICATIONS FOR
ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE TEST:

To be eligible to be hired by the City of Houston, applicants must be in possession of an active Texas Commission on Fire Protection State Fire Fighters Certification Basic or higher and an active Texas Department of State Health Services Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Certification Basic or higher by February 25, 2015. **NOTE: the National Registry will not satisfy this requirement. You must attach your Fire and EMT certifications to the online application.** No experience is required. Applicants must have a High School Diploma or a General Equivalency Diploma (GED), and 15 transferable college credit hours with a grade of "C" or better from an accredited college or university. A "Course Completion Certificate" for Firefighter, EMT or Paramedic will not be accepted in lieu of the 15 transferable semester college credit hours. Transferable hours mean that the hours will be accepted at the institution that is certifying the grades for the Houston Fire Department. Must be at least eighteen (18) years of age when applying and less than thirty-six (36) years of age before receiving the oath of office. The exam will be open to candidates, who have made a proper application and have met the requirements of Chapter 143 of the Local Government Code for beginning positions in the Fire Department, which are listed in the Fire Application.

DUTIES:

- Participates in classroom lectures, seminars and practical training sessions as directed by the Houston Fire Department.
- Receives and participates in various types of training in fire suppression and emergency medical services up to and including paramedic certification.
- Participates in drills, demonstrations and instruction in hydraulics, pump operation, maintenance, fire suppression, rescue and emergency medical services.

APPLICATION TO TAKE TEST:

ONLY "on-line" applications will be accepted. To apply for this examination, please log on to: www.hfdcareers.org. Access to the Internet and to computer terminals may be found at the City of Houston Human Resources Department, 611 Walker, the garden level; Human Resources Department Classified Recruiting, 600 Jefferson, 6th Floor, or any Public Library. **On-line applications will be accepted until position filled.**

DATE AND TIME OF
EXAMINATION:

The examination will be given at **8:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 25, 2015**, at the **Val Jahnke Training Facility at 8030 Braniff St, Houston, TX 77061**. Bring your **driver's license** or other photo ID.

NOTE:

1. The minimum passing score is 70 percent on the written examination before the extra five (5) points for qualified veterans are added.
2. **Per Chapter 143.025 of the Tex. Loc. Gov't Code**, an additional five points shall be added to the examination grade of an applicant who served in the United States armed forces, received an honorable discharge, and made a passing grade on the examination. **Applicants who are eligible for extra military points must scan and send a copy of their DD214 (Member-4) to HFDSTC@houstontx.gov. The last day to submit a DD214 is February 20, 2015. NO DD214s will be accepted at the test site.**
3. Texas Commission of Fire Protection State Fire Fighters Certification and Texas Department of State Health Services Emergency Medical Technician Certification(s) will be subject to verification by the Human Resources Department.
4. Texas Department of State Health Services Emergency Medical Technicians Certification as a Paramedic will be subject to verification by the Human Resources Department.
5. An applicant may not take the examination for a particular eligibility list more than once.
6. The eligibility list created as a result of this examination will be effective for a period of not less than 6 months or more than 12 months as determined by the Civil Service Commission.
7. Passing applicants will be referred to the Human Resources Department Classified Recruiting section to continue processing. Any falsification in the application process will result in disqualification. Applicants must pass all phases of the hiring process.
8. Applicants' eligibility for hiring will be determined in rank order from the eligibility list.

DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT:

January 28, 2015

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